



## Growing in Faith, History, and Community — Together at TC

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Dear TC Family,

***“We will tell the next generation the praiseworthy deeds of the Lord,  
His power, and the wonders He has done.”***

**Psalm 78:4**

At Turlock Christian, education is a lifelong journey, one that begins in preschool and continues through high school graduation. Each stage builds upon the next, shaping not only our students' minds but their hearts for Christ and for others.

This last week, our 8th grade students experienced this firsthand as they traveled to the East Coast and Washington, D.C., where history came alive through powerful, hands-on experiences. Guided by a Christian tour leader, they explored the very places where our nation's history and faith intersect, discovering how God's hand was present in the founding of our country.

These moments aren't just about seeing landmarks; they are about connecting truth, experience, and community. Students returned home with a deeper appreciation for our Christian heritage, stronger friendships, and a greater understanding of how God's story weaves through history.

From chaperone Joshua Tanis:

“Two moments from the past two days stand out to me. At the FDR Memorial, our students spent time personally thanking veterans for their service. Later, at the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, they were deeply moved as they encountered raw footage and stories from one of history's darkest chapters. These experiences left a lasting impact, reminding us all of the importance of empathy, remembrance, and gratitude.”

And from Nicole Rodrigues:

“The visit to Arlington National Cemetery is always a highlight. This year, four TC students were selected to participate in the Wreath-Laying Ceremony: Mia Garcia and Vincent Shaneyfelt in front, with Faith Wells and Niko Fortin standing proudly behind them. It was an honor for our school community to witness their reverence and respect.”

We are deeply grateful for our three teachers who served as chaperones. Their willingness to be away from home, prepare lessons in advance, and pour into our students reflects the Christ-like love that defines our TC staff. Their example reminds our students what it means to lead with faith, humility, and service.

At Turlock Christian, we are more than a school; we are a family. The relationships, shared experiences, and spiritual foundation built here from **PK–12** prepare students not only for academic success but for a lifetime of purposeful impact. Through experiences like this, we help our students grow in their love for Christ, Country, and Community, equipping them for a strong **faith, family, and future** in Him.

With gratitude and joy,

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